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AMENDMENT

In response to the non-final Office Action of September 21, 2005 and in consideration of the remarks made below, Applicant respectfully requests the reconsideration of the above-identified application.

Applicant wishes to acknowledge and to express appreciation for the consultation granted to Applicant by Examiner December 20, 2005.

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION begins on Page 2 of the paper.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the Listing of Pending Claims begins on Page 5 of this paper.

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CONCLUSION begins on Page 11 of this paper.

An **APPENDIX** including: (1) one new drawing sheet and eleven replacement sheets is attached following page 11 of this paper, and (2) a copy of the application as filed.